

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Department of Telecommunications and Energy  
Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company  
Docket Nos. D.T.E. 02-24/25  
Responses to the Division of Energy Resources First Set of Information Requests

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**Request No. DOER 1-27 (Electric):**

All of the following information requests are related to the identified sections in Schedule JLH-2 (Accounting Cost of Service Study). Operating Revenues section. Please refer to page 45, line 6. Are the "late pymt charges" recovered from all customers? Are competitive supply customers subject to the same "late pymt charges" as Standard Offer Service ("SOS") or Default Service ("DS") customers? Are competitive supply customers charged late pymt fees separately by the Company and the competitive supplier?

**Response:**

The Company follows MDTE Rules 220 C.M.R. 26.10- that allows utilities to charge a late payment charge on all non-residential customer's past due portion of the bill. The rate to be charged for late payments, will be the rate on two-year United States Treasury notes for the preceding twelve months, ending Dec. 31st. of any given year. New rate is effective 2/1 of each year. This fee is calculated against all Standard Offer and Default Service outstanding balances but is not calculated against all outstanding past due competitive supplier balances. The Company is not aware of any late payment charges charged by the competitive suppliers.

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